

## CAPTAIN COOK.

THE STORY OF THE DISCOVERY  
OF HAWAII.His Voyages to the South Seas—How  
He Finally Met His Death.

Captain James Cook sprang from the most humble family, his father being a simple day laborer who could only afford to give the promising boy the simplest education. Marton was the name of the little Yorkshire village in which the Cooks lived, but it was surrounded by beautiful scenery, and was not far from Stockton-on-Tees, which was a more pretentious place, and where the Yorkshire lad got his first notions of going to sea.

The future discoverer of the Sandwich Islands used to wander along the banks of the Tees and watch the white sails of the merchantmen as they came homeward after long cruises in foreign parts, and the freedom which the sailor seemed to enjoy made him yearn for a life on the ocean.

The coast, too, was the home of fishermen, and their rude smacks fascinated young Cook until he resolved one day to run away to sea and search out the hidden parts of the world.

He was also an omnivorous reader, and would sit up far into the night pouring over works on navigation, and almost before he knew how to read at all he was found spelling out the names on the old maps and charts which existed in a very primitive form at that day.

Time came, however, for the Yorkshire boy to be at work, and his father apprenticed him, as was the custom, to a draper and grocer in a small village named Straithes, near Whitby. Boys who could get apprenticeship in those days were considered lucky, and many a future great fortune was laid in that way. But young Cook was not satisfied to stand behind a counter and wait on the simple country folk. It took him from the sea and shut him up in a prison, and from the first day he longed to escape.

The house in which Cook was to have labored and lose his genius to the world is still standing with the year "1688" over the door, but the boy was not destined to be cooped up within its dull walls. He soon tired of the drudgery of a draper's clerk, and of his own accord engaged himself for seven years with the owners of ships attached to the coal trade. This was not much of a step toward a life in foreign ports, but it was the best the boy could do; and while in this service he learned a great deal of the sea and laid the groundwork for the successes which came to him some years later.

The coasting trade was dangerous, and the sturdy Yorkshire boy, whose muscles had been hardened by an out-of-door life on the banks of the Tees, discovered that he was just the person to get along in that service. What is more, at the end of the seven years he had so pleased his employers that he was advanced to the dignity of mate, which was the first real step toward the goal of his ambition.

At this time (the middle of the last century) England and France were grappling for the mastery on this continent, and their arms were about to clash together on the Heights of Abraham. The English were sore pressed for sailors in their navy, and the press gangs were at work night and day. Vessels coming home from long cruises were boarded and their crews taken off and forced into the royal navy for service in America. Fishermen were seized in their little boats and obliged to tread the decks of troop ships, which carried soldiers across the water to drive the French from Canada.

Captain James Cook, to save himself from impressment, resolved to offer his services to the British navy, and in a short time he was on his way to American shores. The Eagle was a warship of eighty guns, and was commanded by Sir Hugh Palliser. Sir Hugh noticed that his young recruit was a person of courage and judgment, and he at once promoted him to a position on the quarter-deck, and, thus equipped Cook reached America in time to help land the English soldiers at the foot of the Heights of Abraham.

During this hazardous service he did not lay down the study of mathematics and the science of navigation. He yearned for a wider field, and all the time kept his mind on the distant parts of the sea and the lands which he was certain must lie therein.

His opportunity came in the year

1768, when he was commissioned to take command of the expedition sent out to observe the transit of Venus. His vessel, the Endeavor, was a small craft, too small, it was thought, for so long a voyage, but the young captain sailed away with high hopes.

The voyage proved the first of three which were to immortalize his name in the annals of discovery. In the little Endeavor he visited the islands of the South Seas, among them Otaheite, where he took full observations of the transit and gave a report which stands today among the most complete of the kind in existence.

Captain Cook was charmed by the scenery of that part of the world. It was a vast paradise, where everything was beautiful. He was the first white man to set foot on the shores of New Zealand, and he proceeded to take possession of it in the name of King George III, our old enemy during the war for independence.

The hand and brain of Cook were always busy. He neglected nothing that would increase his knowledge of navigation and of the sea. He drew maps of the channels in unknown parts of the world, and brought home with him a fund of information which astonished the whole world. The Yorkshire boy was beginning to make himself felt, and little Marion, lying sleepily in the sun near the banks of the Tees, suddenly discovered that one of her boys had become famous.

Cook's first voyage, so fruitful in results, brought him his commander's commission. The King ordered him out on a second expedition, which still further extended his fame and placed him at the head of the navigators of his days. On his voyage Captain Cook sailed over 25,000 leagues of the ocean, and the results of the cruise added greatly to the treasury of science and navigation.

He came back, intending to rest awhile, to make the most of the scientific discoveries, and to further this work he was advanced to the rank of Post Captain and made one of the Captains of Greenwich Hospital. This would give him just the opportunities he sought, but he was not to enjoy them long. A third expedition was determined on and Captain Cook was asked to command it. He obeyed it, and in 1776 sailed on his last and fatal voyage.

The daring discoverer steered his course in honor of the Earl of Sandwich. He cruised around Hawaii, making a map of its coasts and, on several occasions had intercourse with the natives.

During one of these interviews a difficulty arose between Captain Cook and the Chief of the island, and the brave navigator lost his life at the hands of the savages. It was a most unfortunate affair for science, for when Cook fell the whole world was called to mourn the loss of one of its greatest captains and discoverers.

The Yorkshire boy had covered himself with fame. The fishermen along the banks of the Tees recalled with pride and wonder the lad who used to come to their boats and drink in their stories of the ocean and its wonders. Little did they dream in those times that his fame should become world-wide, and that 100 years after his death a monument should be unveiled to him in the beautiful park which overlooks the magnificent harbor of Sydney. Captain Cook's vessels were the first to anchor in that harbor, and over the waters beyond it he was the first sailor to float the banners of his native land.—T. C. Harbaugh, in Cleveland Herald.

## ALUMINUM ART GOODS.

A Magnificent Display Made In  
Jeweler Wichman's Window.

As an ADVERTISER representative was wending his way along Fort street Tuesday afternoon in search of news items, his attention was attracted to a magnificent display of aluminum goods in one of the windows of the jewelry establishment of Mr. H. F. Wichman. The collection embraces many useful and ornamental articles, which are offered at astonishingly low figures. These goods are manufactured in Germany and this lot is the first ever shown in Honolulu. Aluminum is now being used extensively in various forms of manufacture, and is in a great measure superseding the use of silver, silver-plate and celluloid, having advantages over any of these in the matter of weight, durability and artistic finish. Readers of the ADVERTISER will be amply repaid by paying a visit to Mr. Wichman's establishment and making an examination of these aluminum goods.

The Monowai will be the next steamer from the Coast. The Miowera, from Victoria, is due to arrive a day earlier.

## RUSSIAN TRAVELERS.

A Party of Them Passed Through  
on the Peking.

Among the through passengers by the steamship City of Peking, which sailed from this city Wednesday afternoon for San Francisco, were a party of seven Russians. Two of these were petty officers of the Russian survey steamer Vitas, which was wrecked some two months ago on the Korean coast, who are on their way home. The captain and other officers and crew of the wrecked steamer returned to St. Petersburg shortly after the accident. The other members of the party are Nicholas Orloff and wife, who are en route for the World's Fair, to become members of a Russian opera troupe now performing in the Midway Plaisance of the fair grounds, and three others bound for the United States to locate. Mr. Orloff, his wife and the other three Russians traveled overland from St. Petersburg, taking the steamer at Yokohama. Mr. Orloff attracted considerable attention on the steamer, being dressed in the prevailing Russian costume, consisting of loose trousers encased in fine riding boots, and a light flowing jacket, worn outside, the trousers, with a cord tied around the waist. His wife is described as rather slender in appearance, though prepossessing in face and figure. Neither can speak or understand English.

## RELIEVED FROM DUTY.

Death Removes One of the Mem-  
bers of the Government  
Forces.

Sebian Norman, a member of Co. A of the Provisional government's volunteer forces, died at the Queen's hospital at 4:30 o'clock Tuesday morning. Mr. Norman has been a sufferer for a long time from consumption, and has been an inmate of the hospital for some time past. The funeral occurred at 3:30 o'clock yesterday from the hospital, Rev. Dr. Beckwith officiating. The remains were escorted to Makiki cemetery by forty members of Co. A, under command of Captain Zeigler. Three volleys were fired by the soldiers over the grave of their departed brother. Mr. Norman leaves a wife and three children to mourn his loss.

In consequence of the death of Mr. Norman the flags on both the executive building and the court house were flying at half mast during Tuesday afternoon.

## Has Succeeded Willing.

Mr. H. J. Rhodes, lately of Southern California, was appointed several weeks ago by the Bureau of Agriculture and Forestry to succeed Mr. Carl Willing as nurseryman at the government nursery. Members of the bureau are loud in their praise of the present management of the nursery, and declare that since it passed under the management of Commissioner Marsden and Mr. Rhodes it has been looting up to the satisfaction of all concerned.

## Natives Pleased.

An influential native Hawaiian, writing from Kona, says: "We are all much pleased with the appointment of J. H. Waipulani to be district judge of Kau, and think he will be able to serve both sections of that district. We are also pleased with our deputy sheriff, W. J. Yates. Both these men are firm supporters of the government."

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